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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BAYERL, Mr CALEWAERT,
Mr PISANI, Mr DONDELINGER, Mr ALBERTINI,
Mr SIEGLERSCHMIDT, Mr HOLST and Lord ARDWICK

on behalf of the Socialist Group

and Mr BANGEMANN

on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group

with request for urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on the /accession of the European Community
to the European Convention on Human Rights

The European Parliament.

- having regard to its resolution of 13 April 1978¹ on the legal policy of the European Communities,
 - having regard to the progress achieved at the round table convened by it from 26 to 28 October 1978 in Florence,
 - having regard to the need, in the run-up to elections to the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage, to make clear to the Community citizen that his rights in the Community are to be strengthened and in what way this is to be done,
1. Decides to set up a body of experts to prepare without delay a preliminary draft 'EEC Charter of Citizens' Rights';
 2. Calls on the Council and Commission, in close cooperation with the European Parliament
 - (a) to make immediate preparations for the accession of the European Community to the European Convention on Human Rights,
 - (b) to enshrine the citizen's right of petition in the Community Treaties, and
 - (c) to guarantee in the Treaties the individual's right of appeal to the Court of Justice of the European Community;
 3. Instructs its Legal Affairs Committee to submit a report on this matter as soon as possible;
 4. Requests its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

¹ OJ No C 108, 8.5.1978, p.42